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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Vega Massignani et al.

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For: VIRULENCE-ASSOCIATED ADHESINS

PETITION FOR FIVE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants herewith request a five-month extension of time to respond to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 mailed March 27, 2006 in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a).

Enclosed please find a check to cover the five-month extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-1664. This, however, is not authorization to pay the issue fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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